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Re: Application of Frontier Communications of America, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide Telecommunications Service Including Basic Local Exchange Service

Docket No. 2010-399-C

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Please find enclosed for filing on behalf of the South Carolina Telephone Coalition (the "Coalition") an executed Stipulation between the Coalition and the Applicant, in the above-referenced docket. In addition to filing this Stipulation, counsel for the Coalition withdraws the Prefiled Testimony of Brent D. Groome which was filed with the Commission on March 8, 2011.

Should you have any questions with respect to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Docket No. 2010-399-C

Re:	Application of Frontier Communications of)
	America, Inc. for a Certificate of Public)
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	Telecommunications Services Including	Ĺ
	Facilities Based Basic Local Exchange)
	Service and For Flexible Regulation of)
	Local Exchange Services and For)
	Alternative Regulation of its Existing)
	Long Distance Service Offerings)
	Authorized by Order No. 96-611)

The South Carolina Telephone Coalition ("SCTC") (see attachment "A" for list of companies) and Frontier Communications of America, Inc. ("Frontier") hereby enter into the following stipulations. As a consequence of these stipulations and conditions, SCTC does not oppose Frontier's Application. SCTC and Frontier stipulate and agree as follows:

- 1. SCTC does not oppose the granting of a statewide Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to Frontier, provided the South Carolina Public Service Commission ("Commission") makes the necessary findings to justify granting of such a certificate, and provided the conditions contained within this stipulation are met.
- 2. Frontier stipulates and agrees that any Certificate which may be granted will authorize Frontier to provide service only to customers located in non-rural local exchange company ("LEC") service areas of South Carolina, except as provided herein.
- 3. Frontier stipulates that it is not asking the Commission to make a finding at this time regarding whether competition is in the public interest for rural areas.



- 4. Frontier stipulates and agrees that it will not provide any local service, by its own facilities or otherwise, to any customer located in a rural incumbent LEC's service area, unless and until Frontier provides such rural incumbent LEC and the Commission with written notice of its intent to do so at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of the intended service. During such notice period, the rural incumbent LEC will have the opportunity to petition the Commission to exercise all rights afforded it under Federal and State law. Also, Frontier acknowledges that the Commission may suspend the intended date for service in rural LEC territory for ninety (90) days while the Commission conducts any proceeding incident to the Petition or upon the Commission's own Motion, provided that the Commission can further suspend the implementation date upon showing of good cause.
- 5. Frontier stipulates and agrees that, if Frontier gives notice that it intends to serve a customer located in a rural incumbent LEC's service area, and either (a) the Commission receives a Petition from the rural incumbent LEC to exercise its rights under Federal or State law within such 30-day period, or (b) the Commission institutes a proceeding of its own, then Frontier will not provide service to any customer located within the service area in question without prior and further Commission approval.
- 6. Frontier acknowledges that any right which it may have or acquire to serve a rural telephone company service area in South Carolina is subject to the conditions contained herein, and to any future policies, procedures, and guidelines relevant to such proposed service which the Commission may implement, so long as such policies, procedures, and guidelines do not conflict with Federal or State law.
- 7. The parties stipulate and agree that all rights under Federal and State law are reserved to the rural incumbent LECs and Frontier, and this Stipulation in no way suspends or

adversely affects such rights, including any exemptions, suspensions, or modifications to which they may be entitled.

- 8. Frontier agrees to abide by all State and Federal laws and to participate, to the extent it may be required to do so by the Commission, in the support of universally available telephone service at affordable rates.
- 9. Frontier hereby amends its application and its prefiled testimony in this docket to the extent necessary to conform with this Stipulation.
- 10. Notwithstanding any provision contained herein, the terms, conditions, and limitations of the Stipulation apply only in those instances where a rural telephone company's federal rural exemption under 47 U.S.C. § 251(f)(1) is implicated.

AGREED AND STIPULATED to this _____day of March, 2011.

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ATTACHMENT A

South Carolina Telephone Coalition Member Companies for Purposes of Local Service Stipulation

Chesnee Telephone Company Chester Telephone Company Farmers Telephone Cooperative, Inc. Ft. Mill Telephone Company Home Telephone Company, Inc. Lancaster Telephone Company Lockhart Telephone Company McClellanville Telephone Company Norway Telephone Company Palmetto Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. Piedmont Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. Pond Branch Telephone Company Ridgeway Telephone Company Rock Hill Telephone Company Sandhill Telephone Cooperative, Inc. St. Stephen Telephone Company West Carolina Rural Telephone Cooperative, Inc. Williston Telephone Company



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I, Rebecca W. Martin, do hereby certify that I have this date served one (1) copy of the attached Stipulation in the above-referenced matter upon the following parties via electronic mail and by causing said copy to be deposited with the United States Postal Service, first class postage prepaid and properly affixed thereto, and addressed as follows:

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